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Inside EPA mentions "EPA Region III investigation in Dimock, PA, appears to be assessing whether fracking or natural conditions harmed water quality" -- is there anything on your website about this investigation that I could link to?

thanks guys!

happy weekend!

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Industry and Republican sources are raising concerns that separate EPA investigations combustion emission rainto whether hydraulic fracturing operations in Wyoming and Pennsylvania contaminated any impact on existing water supplies may preempt the finding of a broader EPA fracking study, and are also criticizing the differing approaches in the two existing investigations.

## Senators Cite Cost Concerns In Push For EPA To Halt Fuel, Vehicle Rules

A bipartisan group of senators is urging EPA to halt its pending proposal to tighten pollution standards for gasoline and vehicles in part due to their concerns that the rule will raise gas prices, escalating an emerging battle over the costs of the rule that states and environmentalists say will provide widespread benefits for minimal cost.

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The Supreme Court could announce as soon as Jan. 17 whether it will review a closely watched case that municipalities say sets a dangerous precedent making them liable for nonpoint source pollution that flows through their stormwater systems.

## EPA Seen Stalling Fuel Rule While Battle Looms Over Gas Price Impacts

EPA appears to be stalling its pending proposal to tighten pollution standards for gasoline and vehicles, a delay that some sources attribute to possible concerns within the agency about the political outcry the rule could cause if its critics in industry and Congress succeed in framing it as one that will significantly increase gas prices.

### EPA Details UST Rule Changes To Improve Insurance But Awaits Data

EPA in a new study is outlining several regulatory changes that might resolve insurance gaps and other problems that could be contributing to possible delays in underground storage tank (UST) cleanups, although the agency is stressing that it needs concrete data showing the use of current UST insurance is actually slowing cleanups before it

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would consider a new rulemaking because the regulatory changes could make insurance more expensive.

### Activists Lobby States To Adopt New York Chemical Purchasing Policy

Environmentalists are lobbying states to adopt "green purchasing" policies, despite objections from chemical industry officials, after successfully pushing for New York to adopt a policy under which the state government seeks to avoid purchasing products that contain so-called "bad actor" chemicals.

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